

REMARKS

Claims 21-30 and 35-38 are pending in this application. Claims 1-20 and 31-34 were previously canceled. Claims 23, 25, and 26 are in independent form. Claim 24 depends from claim 23, claims 21-22 and 35-38 depend from claim 25, and claims 27-30 depend from claim 26. Claims 21-30 and 35-38 have been amended. In particular, the pending claims have been amended to relate to a battery charging assembly, as previously claimed in canceled claim 1, rather than to only the adapter. No new matter has been entered.

In a telephonic interview held on September 23, 2008, Examiner Huynh indicated that he had considered the allowed claims in the context of the battery charging assembly of claim 1 and that his indication of allowable subject matter was not necessarily for a stand-alone adapter. According to the Examiner, an additional search would be needed in order to confirm the allowability of the claims if based only on an adapter, rather than on a combination of the adapter with the battery charging assembly. No references were identified and applicants believe that the stand-alone adapter claims are allowable. However, in order to speed the allowance of the present application, applicants have decided to amend the claims to include elements of the battery charging assembly, as previously presented in canceled claim 1. The adapter element is now one of the elements of the claimed battery charging assembly.

In view of the foregoing, applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Should any fees be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to deposit account No. 50-1432.

Respectfully submitted,

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